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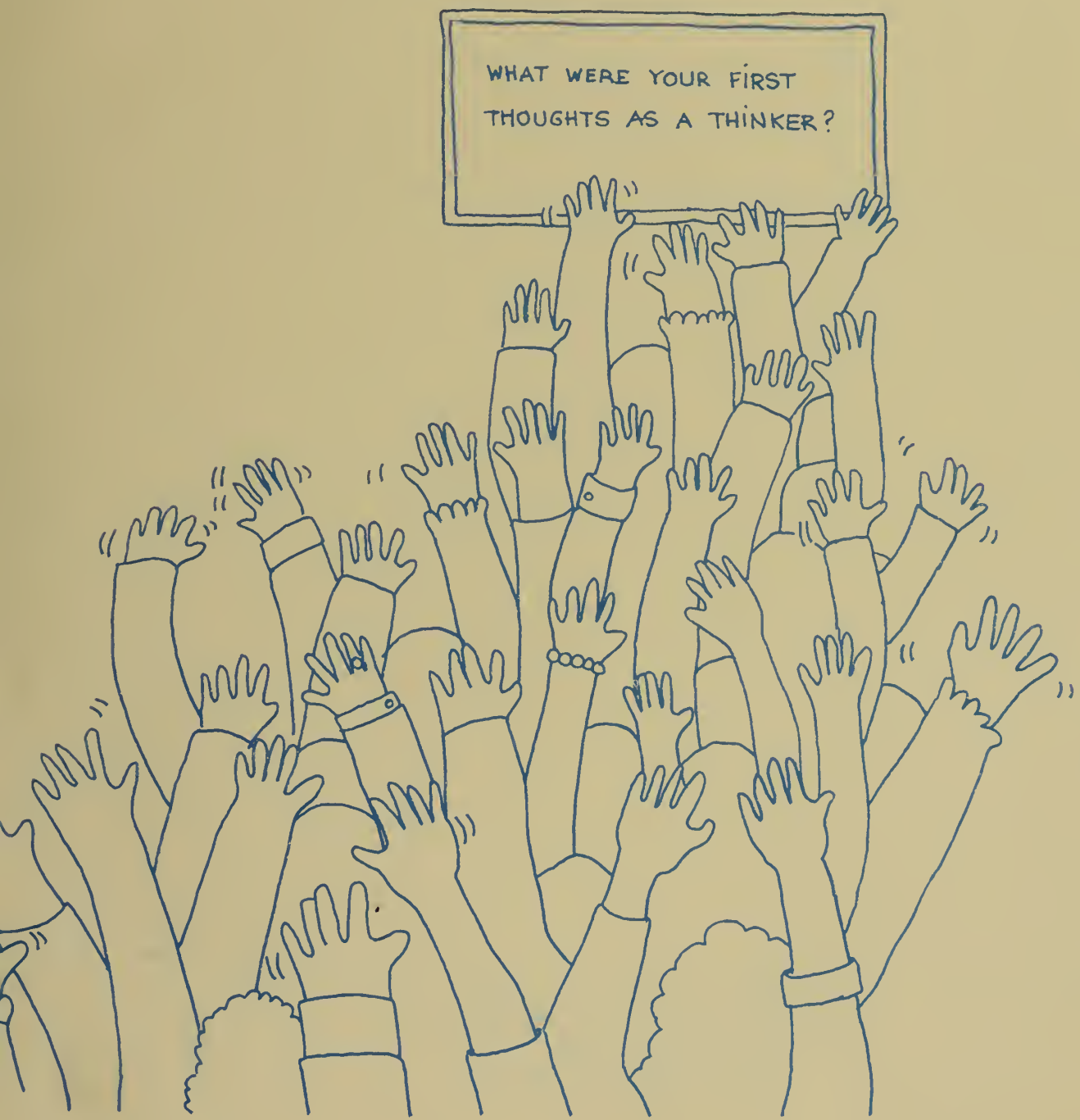

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WELCOME!

The Office of Public Instruction is pleased to disseminate the 1985-86 directory of Montana programs for gifted and talented students. This directory will give you a brief overview of identified programs, including, for easy reference, the name of the program's contact person, address, phone number, a summary of programs offered and grade levels served.

Any school district wishing to learn more about a particular district's model for gifted and talented education should contact the individual school district listed.

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ARLEE

John Lundt, Principal
Arlee School District 8
PO Box 37
Arlee, MT 59821

726-3216

Daily one-hour class. Two major projects produced—a group and an individual project. Emphasis on mastery of the research process, hands-on problem solving and independent study. *Grades 3-12*

ARROWHEAD (See *Livingston Cooperative)*

BELGRADE

Harry Erickson, Superintendent
Belgrade Elementary School District 44
Box 166
Belgrade, MT 59714

388-6951

Provides gifted children with hands-on use and problem solving experience with the computer. Talents Unlimited. *Grades 2-6*

BELT (See *Sun River)*

BIGFORK

Chris Hagar, Principal
Bigfork Elementary District 38
Box 188
Bigfork, MT 59911

837-5221

Clustering in regular class program. Subjects are offered for the students with special interests, and a specialized curriculum is designed to extend the regular class curriculum by using parents and mentors. *Grades K-8*

BILLINGS

John Dracon, District Coordinator
Gifted and Talented Education
Billings Public Schools
101 10th Street West
Billings, MT 59102

248-7421, ext. 239

Elementary pull-out program. Junior high program with scheduled classes (contact Mary Flanagan, District Department Head, Meadowlark School, 29th St. W. and Howard, 656-3416). *Grades K-9*

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Lois Sindelar
Independent School District 52
2907 Roundup Road
Billings, MT 59105
259-8109

Talented and gifted resource room for top five percent, using the Renzulli Enrichment Triad Model. Offerings include classroom enrichment, Talents Unlimited, Northwest Area Foundation Literature Program using higher order questioning. Staff development is continually encouraged. *Grades K-6*

Alene Beck, Coordinator
Lockwood School District 26
1932 U.S. Highway 87, Route 2
Billings, MT 59101
252-2776

Regular in-class and pull-out program based on the Renzulli Enrichment Triad Model, Talents Unlimited and Kids Kits. Focus on academic and intellectual abilities. Art program for identified gifted art students. *Grades 1-7*

Zara Frank
Canyon Creek Elementary District 4
3139 Duck Creek Rd.
Billings, MT 59101
656-4471

Regular class program. *Grades 1-8*

BLOOMFIELD

T. Allen Whitmer
Bloomfield School District 30
Bloomfield, MT 59315
583-7575

Staff development in gifted education with services to students in language arts and research skills. *Grades 1-8*

BOZEMAN

Sally Richter, Principal
Bozeman School District 7
Whittier School
511 N. 5th
Bozeman, MT 59715
586-8211, ext. 341

Regular classroom program with expanded academic curriculum. A pull-out program for 3-5 percent of the students supports the regular class program. *Grades 3-9*

Kathy Pattee, Principal
Monforton School District 27
6001 Monforton School Road
Bozeman, MT 59715
586-1557

A pull-out program five hours per week for academic and intellectually gifted students. Individual students design independent study programs and group projects. *Grades 3-8*

BROWNING

Dennis Clarkson
Browning School District 9
PO Box 610
Browning, MT 59417

338-2715

The district provides an identification model, instructional materials and special programs for identified gifted students.

This enrichment model uses regular classroom teachers, parents, special education personnel and community mentors/resources. Emphasis is on accelerated learning, in-depth study, visual and performing arts, problem solving, leadership training, communication skills, computer training and promotion of creative and productive thinking ability. *Grades K-12*

BUTTE

Tim Sullivan, Director of Curriculum
Butte School District 1
400 S. Wyoming
Butte, MT 59701

723-3293

Accelerated learner program is self-contained program in elementary, junior and senior high. Employs creative problem solving and divergent thinking skills. In the process of organizing a primary program (screening and identification). Strong use of Future Problem Solving. *Grades 5-12*

CASCADE

Jim Donovan, Coordinator
Cascade Elementary District 3
District 3
PO Box 307
Cascade, MT 59421

468-2212

Pull-out and regular programs in the academic areas of math, science and English. A variety of materials are used in math and science, with Junior Great Books incorporated into the English segment. *Grades 1-8*

CENTERVILLE (See *Sun River)*

CHESTER

Vi Wills
Chester Elementary District 33
Box 550
Chester, MT 59522

759-5477

Planning year to include inservice on identification, curriculum and model development. *Grades K-10*

CLYDE PARK (See *Livingston Cooperative)*

COLSTRIP

Ann Haagenstad
Administrator for Special Services
Colstrip School District 19
Colstrip, MT 59323
748-4150

"Project ETC."—pull-out program for identified gifted and talented students in intellectual, academic, creative and leadership areas. Three teachers serve in the elementary and middle school. Talents Unlimited

Rosebud County Co-op—instructional materials and resources appropriate and available to students in eight districts. *Grades K-8*

COLUMBIA FALLS

Lee Murphy, Principal
Columbia Falls School District 6
PO Box 1259
Columbia Falls, MT 59912
892-4321

Program based on a four-year plan. Direct services to students grades 2 and 4; inservice for teachers grades 3 and 5 in curriculum models (1985-86). Identify students grades 1 and 3 (1986-87).

CORVALLIS

Leo McDermott, Superintendent
Corvallis School District 1
PO Box 133
Corvallis, MT 59828
961-4211

Pull-out program for three hours per week, serving academically talented students. Emphasis on creative thinking, problem solving, independent study career education and curriculum in the affective domain. *Grades 3-6*

CUT BANK

Ray Maier
Cut Bank High School District 15
300 1st St. SE
Cut Bank, MT 59427
873-5629

Advanced Placement. *Grades 7-12*

Gifted & Talented Program
Cut Bank School District 15
Anna Jeffries School
Cut Bank, MT 59427
873-2411

Junior Great Books. *Grades 1-8*

Renzulli Enrichment Triad Model. *Grades 5-6*

Regular class for other grades.

DILLON

Cathy Crosser
Dillon School District 10
14 N. Cottom Drive
Dillon, MT 59725

683-2373

The Learning Extension program serves students on a part-time, pull-out basis. K: accelerated reading. Grades 1-3: scope and sequence based on horizontal expansion of classroom curriculum, development of thinking skills. Grade 4: social and leadership skills, individual development of high interest area. Grades 5-6: development of research skills, interest area. Grades 7-8: individual interest areas. Future problem Solving Program and minicourses. *Grades K-8.*

ENNIS

Sandy Pfau
Madison Valley Consolidated School
School District 52
Box 52
Ennis, MT 59729

682-4237

Pull-out program for academically and intellectually talented students. Concentration on logic, cognitive divergent thinking, problem solving, computer literacy and leadership skills. *Grades 3-8*

FORT SHAW (See *Sun River)*

FRENCHTOWN

Robert M. Banks, Superintendent
Frenchtown School District 40
PO Box 117
Frenchtown, MT 59834

626-5762

Expanding the exceptional abilities of students in areas of decision-making, reasoning, creating, communicating, problem solving and critical thinking skills in a part-time pull-out program. *Grades 2-8*

FROMBERG

Gary L. Webber, Superintendent
Fromberg School Districts 30 and 6
PO Box 188
Fromberg, MT 59029

668-7755

Regular in-class program with supplemental curriculum for students with general intellectual and/or creative/productive thinking ability. *Grades 1-8*

Regular in-class program with supplemental curriculum for gifted students in mathematics and science. *Grades 9-12*

GLENDIVE

Sandra Scott
Special Services Director
Glendive School District 1
Box 701
Glendive, MT 59330
365-5377

Pull-out program for academically talented and intellectually gifted students. *Grades 4-7*

Students in grades K-3 and 8 are provided advanced subject placement and expanded content curriculum in science and English.

Sandra Scott
Special Services Director
Dawson County High School
Box 701
Glendive, MT 59330
365-5377

Planning year for program development to continue the spectrum of services offered at the elementary and junior high school. *Grades 9-12*

GREAT FALLS

Andrea Bartelt, Director
PACE Program
Great Falls School District 1
3300 3rd St. NE
Great Falls, MT 59404
791-2270

Program for students identified as gifted in the creative/intellectual area. Curriculum focuses on independent projects, logic, conflict resolution, debate, research, goal setting, public presentation, creative thinking and problem solving, executive skills and study skills. *Grades 4-9*

HAMILTON

Clifford Johnson
Hamilton School District 3
Box 980
Hamilton, MT 59840
363-2122

Planning year to include inservice training and program development for higher level thinking skills in math, science, language arts and history. *Grades K-6*

HARDIN

Doris Hastings, Curriculum Coordinator
Hardin School District 17-H
c/o Hardin Middle School
Hardin, MT 59034
665-1408

Based in regular classroom. Identification and differentiated curriculum for intellectually and creatively gifted, based on student interests and regular curriculum. Model for identification procedure for Native Americans. Talents Unlimited. K-12 building facilitators for program development and implementation. *Grades K-12*

HAVRE

Jim Longin, Assistant Superintendent
Havre School District 16
PO Box 7791
Havre, MT 59501

265-4356

IDEAS Program—cluster group program for academically and intellectually gifted students, using the Renzulli Enrichment Triad Model. *Grades 3-8*

Leadership Training Program—training in leadership development; pull-out design. *Grades 7-8*

HELENA

Karen J. Sexton, Principal
Lincoln Elementary
1325 Poplar
Helena, MT 59601

442-7750

Elementary resource room. *Grades 3-6*

Classroom enrichment. *Grades K-2*

Middle school enrichment classes (elective). *Grades 7-8*

Linnea Ghilardi
Helena High School
1300 Billings Avenue
Helena, MT 59601

442-8090

Progressive skill building from one grade to the next with heavy emphasis on writing skills and oral communication, logical thinking, creativity and group dynamics. *Grades 9-12*

HIGHWOOD (See *Sun River)*

HUNTLEY PROJECT

Linda Drayson, Principal
Huntley Project School District 24
Worden, MT 59088

967-2540

Staff development, student identification and program implementation, October 1985. *Grades 3-6*

JOLIET

James D. McLaughlin
Joliet Elementary District 7
Drawer G
Joliet, MT 59041

962-3541

Program development from September to December. Direct services to identified students in the areas of intellectual, academic and creative and productive thinking to begin January 1986. *Grades 3-6*

KALISPELL

Gayle Vidal, Program Director
Gifted & Talented Program
Kalispell School District 5
233 1st Avenue East
Kalispell, MT 59901
755-8000

Enrichment model using regular classrooms, parents, community mentors. Serves the major areas of intellectual, academic, creativity, leadership, performing arts. Special project: serving the extremely gifted in a rural area. *Grades 1-9*

Terry Miller
Cayuse Prairie School District 10
897 Lake Blaine Road
Kalispell, MT 59901
755-2857

Partial pull-out program serving the areas of creative and productive thinking and leadership ability. Classroom-based differentiated curriculum serves intellectually and academically talented students. *Grades 2-8*

Claudia Potts, Director
Evergreen School District 50
232 Pheasant Drive
Kalispell, MT 59901
752-0101

"Tapestry"—enrichment in the regular classroom with an acceleration component for gifted students. *Grades K-8*

Terry Ewing/Marcia O'Brien
Coordinators
West Valley School District 2
2290 Farm to Market
Kalispell, MT 59901
755-7239

Partial pull-out program in regular classroom. Expanded curriculum serves academically and intellectually gifted students. *Grades 2-8*

LAME DEER

Leon Enzor, Principal
Lame Deer School District 6
PO Box 96
Lame Deer, MT 59043
477-6379

Ongoing development of academic/enrichment program focusing on identification of students and development of materials for artistic and creative students. *Grades 1-8*

LAUREL

Gordon Forster, Principal
Laurel School District 7-70
South School
606 South Fifth
Laurel, MT 59044
628-6917

Program for academically able students grades 3-5. Direct services in regular class, with pull-out component. Talents Unlimited at elementary. Junior Great Books. *Grades 1-9, 11-12*

LEWISTOWN

Pat McGuire, Principal
Lewistown School District 2
212 Crystal Drive
Lewistown, MT 59457
538-8134

Pull-out program for academically talented and intellectually gifted, one day per week. *Grades 4-8*

Part-time pull-out program emphasizing independent research projects, use of mentors, Junior Great Books, seminars based on student interests, hands-on workshops, self-enhancement groups, teacher inservice, annual G/T Fair (display of student long-term projects). *Grades 1-6*

G/T students together for language arts, advanced foreign language and math. Junior Great Books, independent projects, field trips. *Grades 7-9.*

Flexible scheduling. Independent study, student-sponsored seminars, field trips, mentors. *Grades 10-12*

LIVINGSTON

Pat Boyer, Director
Livingston School District 4
132 S. "B" Street
Livingston, MT 59047
222-6600

Livingston Cooperative
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Livingston, MT 59047
222-6600

A four-district cooperative providing direct services for intellectually and academically talented students, using a pull-out model one day per week. Regular classroom teacher receives inservice on differentiated curriculum. *Grades 1-6*

Cooperative includes Pine Creek, Wilsall, Clyde Park and Arrowhead.

LODGE GRASS

Sara Young
Lodge Grass School District 27
Drawer AF
Lodge Grass, MT 59050
639-2385

Enrichment program in language arts, reading, math and social studies. Regular classroom program with ability groupings. *Grades K-12*

LOLO

Orville E. Getz
Lolo School District 7
Box 9
Lolo, MT 59847

273-6686

Planning year to include district definition, philosophy, identification and program design. *Grades 1-8*

MANHATTAN

Ron Zier, Principal
Manhattan School District 3
Box 425
Manhattan, MT 59741

284-3250

Pull-out program three times per week for 60-90 minutes. Groups of children (six, on the average) develop skills in convergent/divergent thinking, problem solving, creativity and independent study projects. *Grades 2-7*

MILES CITY

Fred Anderson, Principal
Custer County High School
20 S. Custer Avenue
Miles City, MT 59301

232-4920

Advanced placement courses in high school. *Grades 9-12*

Don Gundlach
Highland Park School
Miles City Elementary District 2
716 S. Cale
Miles City, MT 59301

232-3890

Full day pull-out for academically and creatively gifted students. *Grades 2-6*

Elective program. *Grades 7-8*

MISSOULA

Judi Fenton, Principal
Missoula School District 1
Paxson School
South Higgins and Evans
Missoula, MT 59801

549-0674

Project EXCEL is for academically and intellectually gifted students. Instructional services in math/science and reading/language arts, using problem solving, higher level thinking skills and independent study approaches. Olympics of the Mind and the Convocation Program are additional models on an ongoing basis. *Grades 1-8*

MONTANA CITY

Penny Koke
Montana City School District 27
Star Route, Box 127
Clancy, MT 59634

442-6737

Planning year to include inservice on identification and curriculum development. *Grades K-8*

PARK CITY

Kareen Skillestad
Park City School District 5
PO Box 278
Park City, MT 59063

633-2350

Talents Unlimited integrated into regular classroom. Models for identification and differentiated curriculum for intellectually and creatively gifted are being developed, based on student interests. Language arts are a major emphasis. *Grades 3-8*

PINE CREEK (See *Livingston Cooperative)*

POLSON

Lee Christensen, Superintendent
Polson School District 23
111 4th Avenue East
Polson, MT 59860

883-5555

Partial pull-out program for academically/creatively gifted students. *Grades K-6*

Honors Program. *Grades 9-12*

POPLAR

Bert Corcoran, Superintendent
Poplar Elementary District 9
Box 458
Poplar, MT 59255

768-3637

Planning year to include training of grades 1-8 staff in identification, program development and curriculum correlation. Resources to sustain program. *Grades 1-8*

POTOMAC

Peter Reynolds, Supervising Teacher
Potomac School District 11
Potomac Road
Bonner, MT 59823

244-5581

A joint program between Potomac and Sunset schools addresses the needs of gifted, creative and talented students. Talents Unlimited integrated into regular classroom. *Grades K-8*

RED LODGE

Sherrie Stewart, Principal
Red Lodge School District 1
311 S. Oaks
Red Lodge, MT 59068

446-1804

A pull-out enrichment program for grades K-6, with emphasis on problem solving strategies. Hands-on experiments, mentors, field trips, computer education and independent study projects in areas of student interest are options. Independent study and creative problem solving have been developed for grades 7 and 8, using the Future Problem Solving and Olympics of the Mind models. District consultant for regular class

continued

teachers. Classroom curriculum includes Junior Great Books, Talents Unlimited and the performing arts. *Grades K-8*

RONAN

Bob Halgren, Superintendent
School District 30
Drawer R
Ronan, MT 59864

676-3390

Advanced academic program: students select projects which expand on regular class curriculum, including extensive investigation and study. Inservice for teachers grades 2 and 3. *Grades 2-6*

Leadership class, deductive reasoning, problem solving. *Grades 7-8*

ROUNDUP

Gerald Hopkins, Principal
Roundup School District 55
600 1st Street West
Roundup, MT 59072

323-1512

Pull-out program with one half-day for students identified in the areas of creativity, general intellectual abilities, specific academic aptitudes. *Grades 1-6*

In-class projects. *Grades 1-2*

ST. IGNATIUS

Ken Benson, Principal
St. Ignatius High School
Box 477
St. Ignatius, MT 59865

745-3811

Advanced placement in computers, English and math. Programs are for the highly motivated. *Grades 10-12*

SEELEY LAKE

Robert Aumaugher, Superintendent
Seeley Lake School District 34
Drawer C
Seeley Lake, MT 59868

677-2265

Direct service to students in regular classroom program. Staff development through continued in-service. *Grades 2-8*

SHEPHERD

Robert Sindelar
Shepherd Elementary School District 37
Box 8
Shepherd, MT 59079

373-5873

Planning year for the development of a gifted and talented program and staff training. *Grades 1-8*

SIDNEY

Frank Dahl, Principal
Sidney School District 5
South Central Avenue
Sidney, MT 59270
482-4050

Academically talented program focusing on accelerated reading and language arts, deductive reasoning and creative and productive thinking. *Grades 7-8*

SOMERS

Bill Ackley, Superintendent
Somers School District 29
Box 159
Somers, MT 59932
857-3301

Partial pull-out and regular classroom program. Program centers on general intellectual ability, specific academic aptitude and creative thought processes. *Grades K-8*

SUN RIVER

Nellie Sherman, Superintendent
Sun River School District 97
Box 1
Sun River, MT 59483
264-5330

A cooperative program among schools in Sun River, Highwood, Vaughn, Ulm, Fort Shaw, Centerville, Belt and Big Sandy. School districts provide administrators and teachers with inservice training in identification and curriculum compacting. The program also serves students through a direct mentorship program, which is handled for all schools by one coordinator. *Grades 4-5 (1985-86); Grades 3-6 (1986-87)*

SUPERIOR

Jack Brookins, Principal
Superior School District 3
PO Box 400
Superior, MT 59872
822-4962

Part-time pull-out program with emphasis on academic studies, problem solving, Junior Great Books and a junior high mentor program. *Grades 1-8*

SWAN RIVER

Bill Johnson
Swan River School District 4
1205 Swan Highway
Bigfork, MT 59911
837-4528

Pull-out program. *Grades K-8*

SWAN VALLEY

Diann Wiesner, Supervising Teacher
Missoula School District 33
Star Route
Condon, MT 59826

754-2320

Second year program with direct services to students through regular classroom approach and augmented services in the community. *Grades 1-8*

TURNER

Bernard Rosling, Superintendent
Turner School District 43
Box 40
Turner, MT 59542

379-2315

Framework developed for identification, student learning patterns, instructional materials catalog and the development of instructional units for language arts and math. Ongoing inservice for professional staff. Computer program. *Grades 2-7*

TWIN BRIDGES

Mark H. Weber, Director
Twin Bridges School District 7
Drawer AC
Twin Bridges, MT 59754

684-5613

Provides an educational environment that will develop the abilities and talents of gifted students beyond the levels stimulated by the regular classroom. Encourages the use of their expertise and talents for the betterment of themselves, their community and society. Main emphasis is on creativity and productive thinking, using Bloom's Taxonomy. *Grades 2-7*

ULM (See *Sun River)*

VAUGHN (See *Sun River)*

VICTOR

Michael O'Donnell
Victor School District 7
PO Box 87
Victor, MT 59875

642-3551

SPARK—Students Pursuing Alternative Routes to Knowledge. Screening and identification developed. Only those who qualify as gifted are enrolled. Through inservice training, the district is implementing a gifted/talented program to meet the needs of gifted students. *Grades 3, 4, 6-11*

WHITEFISH

Christy McCloud
Central School
2nd and Spokane
Whitefish, MT 59937

862-3568

Future Problem Solving, brainstorming, finding solutions, writing evaluation and role playing. Academic *Grades 5-8*

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS

Michael Anderson, Principal
White Sulphur Springs School District 8
PO Box C
White Sulphur Springs, MT 59645

547-3751

Renzulli Enrichment Triad Model used for program framework. Part-time program coordinator in regular classroom; ongoing inservice training on curriculum compacting and unit writing. *Grades K-6*

WILSALL (See *Livingston Cooperative)*

WINNETT

John H. Lee
Winnett Elementary District 159
Box 167
Winnett, MT 59087

429-2451

Planning year for staff development and identification of intellectually and academically talented students. *Grades 3-6*

WOLF POINT

Robert Kinna, Superintendent
Wolf Point Elementary School District 45
213 6th Avenue South
Wolf Point, MT 59201

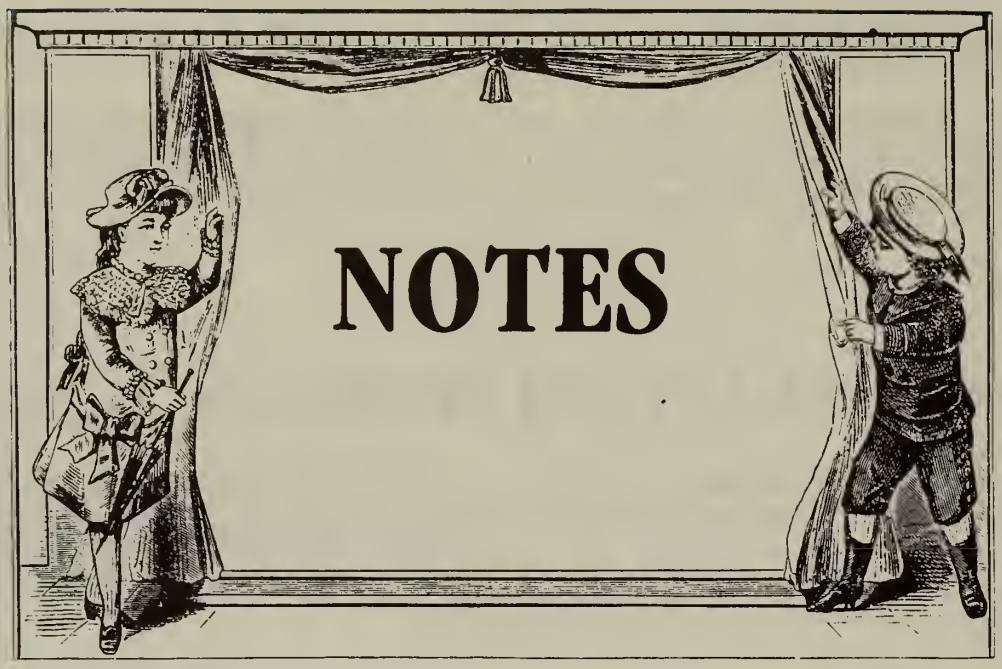
653-2361

Grades K-6

Rebecca Schmidt
School District 45-45A
213 6th Avenue South
Wolf Point, MT 59201

653-1200

Through independent study, students conduct research in areas such as foreign languages, computers, creative writing, philosophy and photography. Students are involved in a one period/week pull-out class for group interaction and minicourses. Advanced placement study for college credit. *Grades 9-12*



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